

## BOURNE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Bourne Urban District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my report and that of your Sanitary Inspector for the year 1943.

Section A. Statistics and Social Conditions.

Area. 10,103 acres.

Population. 5,110 Registrar General's Figures for 1942.

Number of inhabited Houses. 1,421.

Rateable Value £25,518. Product of penny rate £100.

Vital Statistics. (Not corrected by the Registrar General.)

	M.	F.	Totals
Births	18.	44.	62.
Deaths	32.	38.	70.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.)	} nil.
Measles.	
Whooping Cough	
-Diphtheria.	

Cancer Deaths	Male.	Female.	Total.
	2.	5.	7.

Sites in order of frequency. 4 Stomach, 1 Oesophagus, 1 right ovarian, 1 Pancreas.

## Section B.

The Health Services for the Town remain the same.

## Section C.

The Sanitary Conditions prevailing at the Hereward School remain a disgrace to the Government Departments concerned. If the School was a private one, the conditions would not be tolerated, but because it is a Public Authority one, nothing is done.

## Section D.

Inspection and Supervision of Food. See the Sanitary Inspector's Report.

## Section E. Prevalence and Control over Infectious and other diseases.

	<u>Cases.</u>	<u>Admitted to Hospital.</u>	<u>Deaths.</u>
Diphtheria.	-	-	
Measles.	188.	-	
Erysipelas.	2.	1	
Scarlet Fever.	9.	8	
Whooping Cough.	3.	-	
Pneumonia.	6.	-	2.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

The intensive campaign produced the following results :-

1-5. 57% 5.-15. 80%

In spite of the great keenness and energy shown by the Health Visitor, the results in the 1-5 group are still not good.

Scabies.

Total number treated at home and at the Isolation Hospital.  
At Home 20. Isolation Hospital 72.  
Particular thanks are due to the Scabies Nurse.

<u>Tuberculosis.</u>	<u>New Cases.</u>			<u>Females.</u>	
	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Ages.</u>			<u>Ages.</u>
Pulmonary.	2	28. 25.		2	16. 38.
Non-pulmonary.				3	14. 8, 15.

I wish to render thanks to the constant help I receive from my fellow officials.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

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Sir,

Annual Report 1943.

I have the honour to present my Fourteenth Annual Report on the Public Health Work carried out by me in the Bourne Urban District, this being for the year 1943. Once again only a brief summary is submitted :-

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

No change. Yet a further request for a mechanically propelled refuse collecting vehicle in substitution of the obsolete and uneconomical horse-drawn vehicle was refused.

Salvage.

Notwithstanding collection difficulties, Salvage collections resulted in 123 tons of various materials, and over 5,700 bottles and jars being recovered and sold for £540. 12. 11. This brings the total value of Salvage collected in four years to £1,662. 12. 10½, and is the result of entirely voluntary effort.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

No change. Twenty-one privies have been cleansed after Informal Notice.

Slaughterhouses.

The Government Central Slaughterhouse, and Klondyke Abattoir for the slaughter of horses for human consumption have continued to operate. Much needed improvements at the former have been carried out. The condition of both these Slaughterhouses is good.

Meat and Food.

The carcasses of all animals passing through the Central Slaughterhouse were inspected, but inspection has not been possible with those passing through the Klondyke Abattoir. These latter are for London consumption and are understood to be inspected on arrival.

Details of carcasses inspected are :-

18 Bulls.	472 Bullocks.	176 Cows.
166 Heifers.	63 Calves.	3,556 Sheep.
34 Lambs.	241 Pigs.	

TOTAL: 4,726.

446 Horses were notified.

The total weight of meat and offals condemned was 17-tons, 12-cwts 3-qrs. 21-lbs.

Fresh, frozen and tinned meat was inspected at the W.M.S.A. Depot and 13-cwts. 10-lbs. were condemned.



Various foods, mainly tinned, were inspected in Retail Shops, and a total weight of 525lbs. condemned.

#### TUBERCULOSIS in Milk.

Bi-monthly returns have been made to the County Health Department of all cows, bulls and calves found on slaughter to be affected with tuberculosis, and a sample of milk from one herd in the District was submitted for examination.

#### Cowsheds and Dairies.

Two Wholesale Producers have been added to the Register. The Registers now show that there are 17 Producers and 17 Retail Purveyors in the District.

#### Disinfections.

Six scabies disinfestations were carried out.

#### Notices served.

95 Statutory Notices under Section 138 of the Public Health Act 1936 and 134 Informal Notices were served.

#### Complaints.

120 complaints were received and dealt with.

#### Inspections.

175 inspections were carried out.

#### Water Supply.

95 houses which had been dependent on bore supplies were so short of water that Statutory Notices were served, and complied with, requiring the provisions of an adequate supply. The provision of a supply to six houses at Cawthorpe, referred to in my last Report, was commenced, but not completed by the end of the year.

#### Housing.

Four houses were demolished following Demolition Orders served in 1933, and one was demolished voluntarily by the Owner.

#### General.

The work of the Department has continued satisfactorily, in spite of many difficulties. Meat inspection takes up a considerable amount of time, but the amount condemned as unfit for consumption is evidence of its essentiality. Central Slaughtering is conducive to efficient inspections, and one hopes that the days of the private Slaughterhouse are a relic of the past.

I wish once again to acknowledge the assistance you have given me, and also the co-operation of my Fellow Officers, and Members of the Council, including also the Manager of the Government Central Slaughterhouse.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

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Surveyor & Sanitary Inspector.